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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: ROTH et al.

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Examiner: James L. Swiger III

For: BONE FIXATION SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Within two (2) months of the June 15, 2006 mailing of a final Office Action in the above-identified application, applicants request entry of the following remarks into the arecord as follows:

Remarks begin on page 2.